GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SAN JUAN

March 25, 1937.

Circular Letter No. 82.

Subject: INFORMATION REGARDING CONTINENTAL TEACHERS OF ENGLISH.

To Superintendents of Schools .-

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please send us a narrative report on each Continental Teacher of English working in your district. This report will be strictly confidential and teachers will not be informed about it.

Please include the following topics among any other that may occur to you:

- 1. Sociability: Is the teacher a good mixer? Does he make friends easily? With what kind of friends does he associate? Is his conduct up to the standard of the community?
- 2. Health; Does our climate and food agree with the teacher?
- 3. Application: Does the teacher devote himself wholeheartedly to his work? Does he show initiative in overcoming difficulties such as:
 - a- Lack of material (we do not imply personal disbursement on the part of the teacher)
 - b- Lack of interest among the children.
 - c- Children's inability to understand the teacher.
- 4. Ability: Can the teacher control his class? Does he motivate his work properly? Can he retain the attention of his pupils?
- 5. Methodology: Is the teacher in possession of modern methods of instruction, technique of teaching, etc.?
- 6. Adaptability: Does the teacher study the bilingual situation as a special problem? Is he well acquainted

with the new Course of Study and other sources of reference? Does he consult with the supervisory staff and teachers experienced in the teaching of English in Puerto Rico? Does he adapt his findings to the special conditions of his classroom?

- 7- Special interest in Spanish: Does the teacher show interest in learning the Language?
- 8- Cooperation: Is the teacher willing to help in the general uplift of the schools? Does he take part in extra-curricular or community activities?
- 9- Assignment for next year: Would you recommend the transer of this teacher to some other district next year?

This information should reach this office not later than APRIL 9, 1937.

Very truly yours,

Signed -- H. A. MARTIN Acting Commissioner